

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (currently amended): An optical device comprising:

a first I/O waveguide carrying an optical signal with a plurality of wavelengths;

a second I/O waveguide carrying a first wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;

a third I/O waveguide carrying a second wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;

a first single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the first I/O waveguide, wherein the first single-side-pass filter reflects the first wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the second I/O waveguide, and the first single-side-pass filter passes the second wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the third I/O waveguide; and

a housing, and wherein

the first I/O waveguide extends outwardly from the housing, and wherein

the first single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

~~The optical device of claim 1 wherein~~ the first single-side-pass filter is a short-pass filter.

Claim 9 (currently amended): An optical device comprising:

a first I/O waveguide carrying an optical signal with a plurality of wavelengths;  
a second I/O waveguide carrying a first wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;  
a third I/O waveguide carrying a second wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;  
a first single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the first I/O waveguide, wherein the first  
single-side-pass filter reflects the first wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the  
second I/O waveguide, and the first single-side-pass filter passes the second wavelength between  
the first I/O waveguide and the third I/O waveguide;

a first collimator assembly comprising a first GRIN lens, a fourth waveguide, and a fifth  
waveguide, and wherein the first GRIN lens is optically coupled to the first single-side-pass  
filter, the fourth waveguide optically coupled to the first I/O waveguide, and the fifth waveguide  
optically coupled to the second I/O waveguide, wherein the first single-side-pass filter reflects  
the first wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the second I/O waveguide through the  
fifth waveguide of the first collimator assembly;

a second collimator assembly comprising a second GRIN lens, and a sixth waveguide,  
and wherein the second GRIN lens is optically coupled to the first single-side-pass filter, and  
wherein the first single-side-pass filter passes the second wavelength between the first I/O  
waveguide and the third I/O waveguide through the sixth waveguide of the second collimator  
assembly;

a third collimator assembly comprising a third GRIN lens, a seventh waveguide, and an  
eighth waveguide, and wherein the seventh waveguide is optically coupled to the fifth waveguide  
of the first collimator assembly;

a fourth collimator assembly comprising a fourth GRIN lens, and a ninth waveguide;

a second single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the third GRIN lens of the third collimator assembly and the fourth GRIN lens of the fourth collimator assembly, wherein the second single-side-pass filter reflects a third wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths between the seventh waveguide of the third collimator assembly and the eighth waveguide of the third collimator assembly, and passes the first wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths between the seventh waveguide of the third collimator assembly and the ninth waveguide of the fourth collimator assembly;

a fifth collimator assembly comprising a fifth GRIN lens, a tenth waveguide, and an eleventh waveguide, and wherein the tenth waveguide is optically coupled to the sixth waveguide of the second collimator assembly;

a sixth collimator assembly comprising a sixth GRIN lens, and a twelfth waveguide;

a third single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the fifth GRIN lens of the fifth collimator assembly and the sixth GRIN lens of the sixth collimator assembly, wherein the third single-side-pass filter reflects a fourth wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths between the tenth waveguide of the fifth collimator assembly and the eleventh waveguide of the fifth collimator assembly, and passes the second wavelength between the tenth waveguide of the fifth collimator assembly and the twelfth waveguide of the sixth collimator assembly;

a housing, and wherein

the first I/O waveguide extends outwardly from the housing, and wherein

the first single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

the second single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

the third single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

~~The optical device of claim 5 wherein~~ specified wavelengths for the first, second, and third single-side-pass filters are separated by ~~about~~ approximately 25.6 nanometers.

Claim 10 (currently amended): An optical device comprising:  
a first I/O waveguide carrying an optical signal with a plurality of wavelengths;  
a second I/O waveguide carrying a first wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;  
a third I/O waveguide carrying a second wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;  
a first single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the first I/O waveguide, wherein the first  
single-side-pass filter reflects the first wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the  
second I/O waveguide, and the first single-side-pass filter passes the second wavelength between  
the first I/O waveguide and the third I/O waveguide;  
a first collimator assembly comprising a first GRIN lens, a fourth waveguide, and a fifth  
waveguide, and wherein the first GRIN lens is optically coupled to the first single-side-pass  
filter, the fourth waveguide optically coupled to the first I/O waveguide, and the fifth waveguide  
optically coupled to the second I/O waveguide, wherein the first single-side-pass filter reflects  
the first wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the second I/O waveguide through the  
fifth waveguide of the first collimator assembly;  
a second collimator assembly comprising a second GRIN lens, and a sixth waveguide,  
and wherein the second GRIN lens is optically coupled to the first single-side-pass filter, and  
wherein the first single-side-pass filter passes the second wavelength between the first I/O  
waveguide and the third I/O waveguide through the sixth waveguide of the second collimator  
assembly;

a third collimator assembly comprising a third GRIN lens, a seventh waveguide, and an eighth waveguide, and wherein the seventh waveguide is optically coupled to the fifth waveguide of the first collimator assembly;

a fourth collimator assembly comprising a fourth GRIN lens, and a ninth waveguide;  
a second single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the third GRIN lens of the third collimator assembly and the fourth GRIN lens of the fourth collimator assembly, wherein the second single-side-pass filter reflects a third wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths between the seventh waveguide of the third collimator assembly and the eighth waveguide of the third collimator assembly, and passes the first wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths between the seventh waveguide of the third collimator assembly and the ninth waveguide of the fourth collimator assembly;

a fifth collimator assembly comprising a fifth GRIN lens, a tenth waveguide, and an eleventh waveguide, and wherein the tenth waveguide is optically coupled to the sixth waveguide of the second collimator assembly;

a sixth collimator assembly comprising a sixth GRIN lens, and a twelfth waveguide;  
a third single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the fifth GRIN lens of the fifth collimator assembly and the sixth GRIN lens of the sixth collimator assembly, wherein the third single-side-pass filter reflects a fourth wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths between the tenth waveguide of the fifth collimator assembly and the eleventh waveguide of the fifth collimator assembly, and passes the second wavelength between the tenth waveguide of the fifth collimator assembly and the twelfth waveguide of the sixth collimator assembly;

a housing, and wherein

the first I/O waveguide extends outwardly from the housing, and wherein

the first single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

the second single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

the third single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

~~The optical device of claim 5 wherein~~ a specified wavelength of the first single-side-pass filter is ~~about~~ approximately 1550.02 nanometers, a specified wavelength of the second single-side-pass filter is ~~about~~ approximately 1524.38 nanometers, and a specified wavelength of the third single-side-pass filter is ~~about~~ approximately 1575.62 nanometers.

Claims 11-13 (canceled)

Claim 14 (currently amended): An optical device comprising:

a first I/O waveguide carrying an optical signal with a plurality of wavelengths;

a second I/O waveguide carrying a first wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;

a third I/O waveguide carrying a second wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;

a fourth I/O waveguide carrying a third wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;

a fifth I/O waveguide carrying a fourth wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;

a first single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the first I/O waveguide, wherein the first single-side-pass filter reflects the first wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the second I/O waveguide, and the first single-side-pass filter passes the second wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the third I/O waveguide;

a second single-side-pass filter, wherein the second single-side-pass filter reflects the third wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the fourth I/O waveguide and passes the second wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the third I/O waveguide;

a third single-side-pass filter, wherein the third single-side-pass filter reflects the fourth wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the fifth I/O waveguide and passes the second wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the third I/O waveguide; and

a housing, and wherein

the first I/O waveguide extends outwardly from the housing, and wherein

the first single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

the second single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

the third single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

~~The optical device of claim 13 wherein~~ the first, second, and third single-side-pass filters are separated by ~~about~~ approximately 25.6 nanometers.

Claims 15-17 (canceled)

Claim 18 (currently amended): An optical device comprising:

a first I/O waveguide carrying an optical signal with a plurality of wavelengths;

a second I/O waveguide carrying a first wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;

a third I/O waveguide carrying a second wavelength of the plurality of wavelengths;

a first single-side-pass filter optically coupled to the first I/O waveguide, wherein the first single-side-pass filter reflects the first wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the

second I/O waveguide, and the first single-side-pass filter passes the second wavelength between the first I/O waveguide and the third I/O waveguide; and

a housing, and wherein

the first I/O waveguide extends outwardly from the housing, and wherein

the first single-side-pass filter is mounted in the housing, and wherein

~~The optical device of claim 1 wherein the first single-side-pass filter is curved.~~

Claims 19-20 (canceled)